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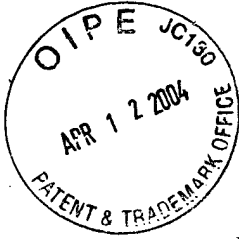


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It is requested that the Examiner give full consideration to the information identified on the attached Form PTO-1449, and make it of record in this application.

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Respectfully submitted,



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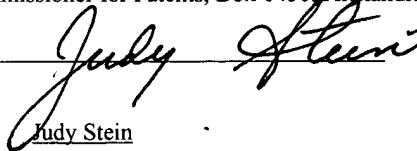
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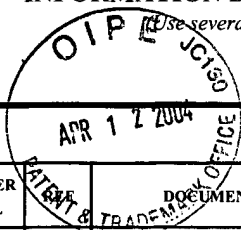
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